

## Toyota Boshoku to Establish an Automotive Seating Company in France

Toyota Boshoku Corporation (Headquarters: Kariya, Aichi Pref., President: Shuhei Toyoda) will establish an automotive seating manufacturing company, Toyota Boshoku Somain S.A.S., in Somain, Nord-Pas de Calais, France.

The new company, which takes over the Sieto Plant of Faurecia S.A., a French automotive seating manufacturer, is scheduled to start producing seats around 2010. All employees currently working at the plant will be reemployed by the new company.

In Europe, Toyota Boshoku has so far produced automotive seats and other interior parts in such countries as Turkey, Russia, and Slovakia. The new company will be its first seat-assembling base set up in a European Union country. It will also be the second manufacturing company that Toyota Boshoku establishes in France after an automotive replacement bumper manufacturing company.

The outline of the new company will be as follows:

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| 1. Company name        | Toyota Boshoku Somain S.A.S.  |
| 2. Location            | Somain, Nord-Pas de Calais, France  |
| 3. Representative      | Atsushi Toyoshima, President & CEO of Toyota Boshoku Europe N.V., the Company's European headquarters |
| 4. Establishment       | August 2008   |
| 5. Products            | Automotive seating  |
| 6. Production start    | Around 2010   |
| 7. Number of employees | Approx. 300   |
| 8. Capital             | 21 million Euros (Approx. 3.4 billion yen*)   |
| 9. Ownership           | Toyota Boshoku Europe E.V. 100%   |
| 10. Investment         | 24 million Euros (Approx. 3.9 billion yen*)   |
| 11. Site area          | 74,000 m <sup>2</sup>   |
| 12. Building area      | 18,000 m <sup>2</sup>   |

\*The exchange rate is 162.71 yen to the Euro.

## Supplement

### Faurecia Company Profile

(1) Company name	Faurecia S.A.
(2) Location	Nanterre, Hauts-de-Seine, France
(3) Representative	Yann Delabrière (Chairman and CEO)
(4) Established	1999
(5) Business lines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Manufacture and sale of automotive interior parts such as seats, door trims and instrument panels.</li><li>- Manufacture and sale of automotive front end modules such as radiator grills and headlights.</li><li>- Manufacture and sale of automotive exhaust systems such as mufflers and manifolds.</li></ul>
(6) Sales	12,660.7 million Euros (Year ended December 2007)
(7) Number of employees	59,764 (Year ended December 2007)